

ROYAL Baking Powder

Absolutely Pure

Insures the most delicious and healthful food

NO ALUM—NO PHOSPHATE

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. Leo Flynn spent Monday and Tuesday in Macon on business.

Mr. G. W. Myers, of Caledonia, spent Tuesday in Columbus.

Mr. Clayton Hackleman made a business trip to Artesia yesterday.

Hon. J. L. Sturdivant spent the past two days in Waltham on business.

Mrs. Gilbert Dempster is visiting relatives in Jackson, Tenn.

Mr. J. W. Joiner's many friends regret to learn that he has been ill the past several days.

Mr. W. D. Shaver, a progressive planter residing near Crawford, was in Columbus Tuesday on business.

Mr. Lucius Lide is at home for a visit after an extended trip on the road selling drug sundries.

Mr. Howard K. Robinson visited Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Walker, Jr., at Brooksville Sunday.

Mr. Jesse George's many friends regret to learn that he has been ill for several days.

Mr. Reese Frierson has returned from New Orleans, where he has been buying cotton the past several months.

Captain William Pope's many friends are glad to see him on the streets again after an illness with la grippe.

Mr. George Buder, who travels out of Kansas City for the Peerless Optical Company, visited relatives in Columbus the first of the week.

A meeting of the Stephen D. Lee Chapter, U. D. C., will be held at the home of Mrs. Fenton Robertson, Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

Miss Annie Long has returned to her home in Ita Bena after a pleasant visit to relatives here. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Eugene Beard, who will be her guest for some time.

Mr. J. O. Young, of Birmingham, arrived in Columbus the first of the week and will be with his brother, Mr. R. M. Young, who is manager of the Davis Five and Ten Cent Store in this city. He will act as assistant manager and decorator at this popular place of business.



A beautiful new stock of Everwear Hosiery, just received, is bringing throngs of interested women to our hosiery department every day.

Everwear Hosiery

A stunning collection, made for wear as well as beauty, they meet your demands at every point. Light and medium weights, all shades. Cotton, silk, fiber silk, pure thread silk.

Prices 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 For Men, Women and Children

KAUFMAN BROS.

"The People's Money Savers."

A WOMAN'S OPINION.

It Went on Record as a Decision of the Supreme Court.

"All the justices of the supreme court wear gowns of black silk," says Francis E. Lundy in "Wicks About Washington." "John Jay, the first chief justice, relieved the summer monotony of his by adding a collar bound with scarlet, but the precedent was not followed. The court has sometimes been styled the most dignified judicial tribunal in the world, and doubtless it deserves the compliment."

"The arguments made before it are confined to calm, unemotional reasoning. The pleaders do not raise their voices or forget their manners or indulge in personalities or oratory while debating, and the opinions of the court are recited with a quietness almost conversational. These opinions are very carefully guarded up to the moment they are read from the bench, but now and then, after a decision has become history, there leaks out an entertaining story of how it came to be rendered."

"Such an instance was in the case of an imported delicacy which might have been classed either as a preparation of fish or as a flavoring sauce. The customs officers had levied duty on it as a sauce, and an importer had appealed. The justices, when they came to compare notes, confessed themselves sorely puzzled, and one of them suggested that since the technical arguments were so well balanced it might be wise to fall back upon common sense. That evening he carried a sample of the disputed substance home to his wife, who was an expert in culinary matters. 'There, my dear,' said he, 'is a sauce for you to try.'"

"With one look at the contents of the package, which she evidently recognized, she exclaimed: 'Pshaw! That's no sauce; that's fish. Didn't you know it?'"

"The next day the court met again for consultation and on the following Monday handed down a decision overruling the customs officers and sustaining the importer's appeal."

GLYCERIN IS PECULIAR.

From a Chemical Standpoint It Has Many Curious Qualities.

One of the great advantages of glycerin in its chemical employment is the fact that it will neither freeze nor evaporate under any ordinary temperature.

No perceptible loss by evaporation has been detected at a temperature less than 200 degrees F., but if heated intensely it decomposes with a smell that few persons find themselves able to endure. It burns with a pale flame, similar to that from alcohol, if heated to about 300 degrees and then ignited. Its nonvolatile qualities make the compound of much use as a vehicle for holding pigments and colors, as in stamping and typewriter ribbons, carbon papers and the like.

If the pure glycerin be exposed for a long time to a freezing temperature it crystallizes with the appearance of sugar candy; but, these crystals being once melted, it is almost an impossibility to get them again into the crystalline state. If a little water be added to the glycerin no crystallization will take place, though under a sufficient degree of cold the water will separate and form crystals, amid which the glycerin will remain in its natural state of fluidity.

If suddenly subjected to intense cold pure glycerin will form a gummy mass which cannot be entirely hardened or crystallized. Altogether it is quite a peculiar substance.

PESTS OF THE TROPICS.

Insects Whose Bite Is Like the Touch of Red-hot Iron.

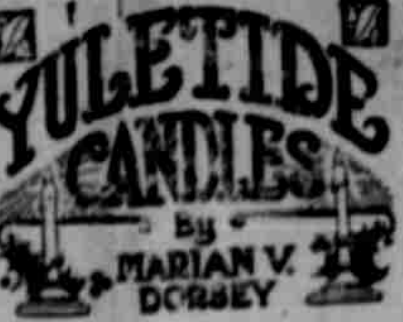
The pestiferous insects that infest the region tributary to the headwaters of the Amazon make life miserable for any one who may venture into the region. Commander H. A. Edwards of the Bolivia-Brazil boundary commission declares that there is no escaping them and that you are always scratching or slapping your body, except when you are under our mosquito net—and even then if you are not asleep.

In camp ants are a continual nuisance. They eat your clothes, gnaw the softer parts of your boots and ravage the food. Many kinds bite savagely. One kind, which the natives call *tsatshi*, lives in palisades or holes in the ground and they follow out themselves. Their bite is like the touch of a red-hot iron, and if any one inadvertently leans against a palisade the little red demons swarm out upon him instantly, and so bite him that for an hour afterward his life is almost unbearable.

Most dreaded of all are the *triatoma*—black ants with bodies one and a half inches long that live in the forks of trees, but that often invade your tent. They bite very hard and probably inject some sort of poison into their victims, for the part bitten swells and pains excruciatingly. The *tsatshi* or leaf carrying ants, black ants that make broad, straight roads of their own and move about in armies with scouts and flanking parties; gray ants that live in mounds of red earth six feet high, yellow ants that dwell in rotten wood—all make the traveler unwelcome, either by damaging his belongings or by inflicting pain on his person.

Mosquitoes, the bite of which is not only painful and irritating, but imparts malaria and yellow fever; various phlebotomous flies that inject the germs of what is called three day fever; wasps of all kinds; bees of all sizes; hornets as large as the smaller humming birds; the mantouche and the tabana, a sort of mangrove fly with a taste for bloodsucking—each and every one of them does its share toward making the life of the explorer in those regions almost unbearable. There are flies that lay their eggs in your flesh or in your clothes.

Where there is any sort of grass you cannot guard against the attack of the *muquim*, a microscopic tick whose sojourn on your body causes a most tantalizing itch that you can alleviate only by sponging your body night and morning with alcohol. And in many places the *plum*, a small black fly that looks like a speck of dust, drives you half crazy by its bite. Although those regions are a paradise for the entomologist, the ordinary traveler will hardly regard them in that light. Youth's Companion.



EVERY year the little green bayberry candles are sent as luck bringing gifts to an even greater extent than during the past few holiday seasons. The reason for this is that the people who received them the past year or two—and who did not—thought that they really did seem to bring them good fortune; hence this increasingly rapid growth of the candle's popularity as a substitute for the conventional Christmas card or as constituting in itself an unpretentious little gift symbolizing every good wish.

But, while a great many people both send and receive bayberry candles as gifts, there are but few who know whence they come or why the luck superstition is inseparable from them.

The candles, or "dips," as they were first called, are the product of a revived industry started a few years ago in the old Massachusetts towns of Deerfield and Hingham and in the kitchens of the Cape Cod people, all of them using the old pewter or tin molds that have descended in the families from colonial times. Old southern villages have not as yet realized the opportunity offered its women in this revived industry, although the bayberry candles were made by the early settlers in all the coast colonies where the berries grew, never being found inland.

As to the origin of the good luck idea, we seek it in vain among colonial chronicles as applied to the candle itself. Yet from times far earlier the bay tree and the laurel were considered sacred to good fortune, and it is



LIGHTING THE BAYBERRY CANDLE.

from this humorous belief that we must trace the present day faith in the virtues of the bayberry candle.

The bay is a species of laurel, and as poets and victors were crowned with the laurel or the bay, wishing them long life and happiness, so is the same wish conveyed in the bestowal of a candle made of the waxen berries borne by the sacred tree.

Bayberry dips are also made as well as the molded candles. These dips are smaller and less even in shape and show us how candles were made by repeatedly dipping the wicks in the melted wax of the bayberries and drying each layer till the dip was of proper size. That was before molds were introduced, early in the eighteenth century.

To accompany a bayberry candle one should send in the little box in which it is daintily wrapped a card on which is printed, in red and green lettering, the legend:

ON CHRISTMAS EVE
A bayberry candle burnt to the socket
Brings luck to the house.
Food to the larder
And gold to the pocket.

When these cards are put to be found the luck time may be written on the back of one's visiting card and wrapped with a candle, but in that case it must not be forgotten that the enclosure of writing necessitates extra postage.

Their color, a soft olive green, blends beautifully with other Christmas decorations, and they burn with a steady flame, emitting a delightfully pungent fragrance, and they are consumed evenly all around without making unsightly gutters or ridges of wax down the sides as ordinary candles do. From New England comes the tradition that if lovers separated by distance each lights a bayberry candle in honor of the other at the same hour the aroma or incense arising from the burning wick will drift in the direction of the absent one; hence the candles make a strong appeal to young people of romantic temperament.

A candle must be presented to you, not bought by yourself, in order to insure good luck, and you must not light your own; that must be done for you by some other person, not necessarily the donor.

Christmas eve is the time for burning, either at dinner or later, and to follow out the old idea of the laurels and the bays to the victor a candle should surely be bestowed on the relative or friend who has recently achieved some success or won a distinction.—Philadelphia Press.

FOUND—Where you get Xmas bargains. Read the Commercial's Xmas edition December 12.

Drill Sergeant to awkward squad. "A rifle shot will go through more than a foot of solid wood. Remember that, you blockheads."—Boston Transcript.

The Quinine That Does Affect The Head Because of its toxic and irritative effect. LAXATIVE PROMOTED. Remember the full name and stick to it. W. GROVE, 25c.

In Selecting Your Holiday Gifts—

let your choice be good dependable Jewelry, Watches, Silverware, Genuine Rich Cut Glass, or Brass Goods.

EVERYTHING NEW



Watches
Jewelry
Fountain Pens
Sterling Silver

Genuine Rich
Cut Glass
Brass Goods
Clocks

Price should not be the total consideration in buying your Holiday Gifts. Consider the quality and serviceability of the article, the style and workmanship and above all

The Responsibility of the Merchant Selling You the Article

CHARLES C. BUDER
"THE HOUSE OF QUALITY"
MANUFACTURING JEWELER

The annual bazaar of St. Paul's Altar Guild will be held Friday, December 3rd, at 2:30 p. m., in the parish house. A cordial welcome to all.

RECEIVER'S SALE.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.

By virtue of the power vested in me as a certain decree made by the Chancery Court of Lowndes county, Mississippi, on the 28th day of October, 1915, said decree being duly recorded in the Minutes in the Chancery court of Lowndes county, Mississippi, in Book No. 14, Page No. 375, I, J. T. Armstrong, as receiver for the Standard Stove Works, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door in the city of Columbus, County of Lowndes, and State of Mississippi, on Monday, the 6th day of December, 1915, within legal hours, the following described property, to-wit:

All of Block Number Four (4), and Lots Number One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, and Nine (Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9), in Block Number Three (3), in Stephenson, Stinson and Co's Addition to the City of Columbus, Lowndes County, State of Mississippi, as per plat on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk, of Lowndes County, Mississippi; and at the same time I will also sell under similar terms and conditions the following described personal property, to-wit:

Post hangers, shaft couplings, cupolas, Buffalo fan, friction drum, cable hangers and pulleys, flange couplings, box hangers, counter shaft and hangers, counter shaft with cone pulleys, wood lathes, rip saw, hand saw, stove trucks, friction cone pulleys and hangers, carpenter's vise, pattern maker's bench leveling plate, ear places, blacksmith anvil, lumber, dynamo, nickel anodes, copper anodes, lead tank, nickel tank, scrubbing tank, lead carbox, carbox sulphuric acid, copper rods, buffing stand, glue stand and pots, buffing wheels, wood snap jackets, wood snap boards, steel snap jackets, snap benches, snap flasks, fire clay, lime rock, fire brick, red brick, platform scales, tongs, sprinkling cans, moulder, brushes, tea kettle flasks, stove flasks, stove putty, set cupola patterns, set of emery patterns, cleaning mill patterns, star water fronts, steel drums, tea kettle handles, set tin shop tools, roll sheet lead, halves of kettle handle wire, wire plyers, files, wood split pulleys, cast iron pulleys, office furniture, tanks, ash pans, elbows, joints of stove pipe, brooms, moulder, riddles, farings, jacking wire, carry wheels, wood screws, belt dressing, graphite, door tiles, packing bags, assorted hammers, gasoline torches, moulder's tool boxes and shovels, stove door knobs, stove door catches, slide knobs, bottom tin doves, washers, door piers and rivets, stove bolts, rods, lace leather, stove scrapers, stoves, and stove making tools and material, the same constituting a part of the equipment of the stove plant erected on the real property above described.

The title of the above property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as vested in me as Receiver under said decree.

J. T. ARMSTRONG,
Receiver of Standard Stove Works,
Columbus, Miss., Nov. 4, 1915.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.

By virtue of the power vested in me as Trustee in a certain Deed of Trust, made and delivered on the 21 day of December, 1912, by J. W. Cooper, guardian of Irene Cooper, Ethel Cooper, Frank Cooper, and William Cooper, to secure the payment to Mrs. M. E. Godbee, of certain indebtedness therein mentioned, record of which said Deed of Trust is made in the office of the Chancery Clerk of said County and State, in Deed Book, Numbered 96, Page 633, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door in the town of Columbus, said State and County, on the 25th day of December, 1915, within legal hours, the following property, to-wit:

East Half (E. 1/2) of Northwest Quarter (N. W. 1/4) and West Half (W. 1/2) of West Half (W. 1/2) of Northeast Quarter (N. E. 1/4), and Northwest Quarter (N. W. 1/4) of Southeast Quarter (S. E. 1/4), less one (1) acre in the Northeast corner thereof, all in Section Sixteen (16), Township Eighteen (18), Range Seventeen (17) west, in Lowndes county, Mississippi.

The title to the above property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as vested in me as Trustee under said Deed of Trust.

J. I. STURDIVANT,
Trustee.
Columbus, Miss., Dec. 2, 1915.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.

By virtue of the power vested in me as Trustee in a certain Deed of Trust made and delivered on the 11th day of December, 1909, by Jake Lawrence, to secure the payment to J. T. Armstrong of certain indebtedness therein mentioned, record of which said Deed of Trust is made in the office of the Chancery Clerk of said County and State, in Chancery Deed Book, Numbered 94, Page 110, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door in the town of Columbus, said State and County, on the 24th day of December, 1915, within legal hours, the following property, to-wit:

The N. W. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of Section 25, and the S. E. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of Section 25, and the S. W. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of Section 25, All in T. 18, Range 18 W. Containing One Hundred and Twenty (120) acres more or less.

The title to the above property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as vested in me as Trustee under said Deed of Trust.

G. C. FRANKS,
Trustee.
Columbus, Miss., Dec. 1, 1915.

Notice.

State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.

This is to give notice that the Board of Supervisors will meet on the 6th day of December, 1915, being the first day of their regular December meeting, 1915, receive sealed bids or proposals for the building of a steel bridge with concrete floor over Duck Slough on the Caledonia and Steens road in district one, according to plans and specifications on file in the Chancery Clerk's office. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the board this 10th day of November, 1915.

B. A. LINCOLN,
Clerk.

FOR SALE—One thoroughbred Jersey cow.

Gives about three gallons a day, making pound and half of butter. Fresh about December 25th, call on or write C. P. Huffman, route 2, City.

OPERA HOUSE SATURDAY, DEC. 4

JACK TRAINOR and a Big Company in

"HENPECKED HENRY"
The Funniest Farce in the World



BEST DRESSED CHORUS IN THE WORLD

Prices 50, 75, \$1

Seats on sale Thursday

Curtain at 8:30